

What is claimed is:

1. An isolated polynucleotide comprising a nucleotide sequence selected from the group consisting of:

- (a) the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:41;
- 5 (b) the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:41 from nucleotide 161 to nucleotide 1348;
- (c) the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:41 from nucleotide 599 to nucleotide 1348;
- 10 (d) the nucleotide sequence of the full-length protein coding sequence of clone dd504\_18 deposited under accession number ATCC 98850;
- (e) a nucleotide sequence encoding the full-length protein encoded by the cDNA insert of clone dd504\_18 deposited under accession number ATCC 98850;
- 15 (f) the nucleotide sequence of a mature protein coding sequence of clone dd504\_18 deposited under accession number ATCC 98850;
- (g) a nucleotide sequence encoding a mature protein encoded by the cDNA insert of clone dd504\_18 deposited under accession number ATCC 98850;
- (h) a nucleotide sequence encoding a protein comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:42;
- 20 (i) a nucleotide sequence encoding a protein comprising a fragment of the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:42, the fragment comprising eight contiguous amino acids of SEQ ID NO:42;
- (j) the nucleotide sequence of a polynucleotide that hybridizes under conditions at least as stringent as 4X SSC at 65 degrees C, or 4X SSC at 42 degrees C with 50% formamide, to any one of the polynucleotides specified by (a)-(g); and
- 25 (k) the nucleotide sequence of a polynucleotide that hybridizes under conditions at least as stringent as 4X SSC at 50 degrees C, or 6X SSC at 40 degrees C with 50% formamide, to any one of the polynucleotides specified by (a)-(g), and that has a length that is at least 25% of the length of SEQ ID NO:41.

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2. The polynucleotide of claim 1 wherein said polynucleotide is operably linked to at least one expression control sequence.

3. A host cell transformed with the polynucleotide of claim 2.

4. The host cell of claim 3, wherein said cell is a mammalian cell.

5. A process for producing a protein encoded by the polynucleotide of claim 2, which process comprises:

5 (a) growing a culture of a host cell in a suitable culture medium, wherein the host cell has been transformed with the polynucleotide of claim 2; and

(b) purifying said protein from the culture.

6. A protein produced according to the process of claim 5.

10 7. An isolated polynucleotide encoding the protein of claim 6.

8. The polynucleotide of claim 7, wherein the polynucleotide comprises the cDNA insert of clone dd504\_18 deposited under accession number ATCC 98850.

15 9. A protein comprising an amino acid sequence selected from the group consisting of:

(a) the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:42;

(b) a fragment of the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:42, the

20 fragment comprising eight contiguous amino acids of SEQ ID NO:42; and

(c) the amino acid sequence encoded by the cDNA insert of clone dd504\_18 deposited under accession number ATCC 98850;

the protein being substantially free from other mammalian proteins.

25 10. The protein of claim 9, wherein said protein comprises the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:42.

11. A composition comprising the protein of claim 9 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

30 12. An isolated polynucleotide comprising a nucleotide sequence selected from the group consisting of:

(a) the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:51;

(b) the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:51 from nucleotide 379 to nucleotide 3783;

(c) the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:51 from nucleotide 460 to nucleotide 3783;

5 (d) the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:51 from nucleotide 1983 to nucleotide 3938;

(e) the nucleotide sequence of the full-length protein coding sequence of clone qs14\_3 deposited under accession number ATCC 98850;

10 (f) a nucleotide sequence encoding the full-length protein encoded by the cDNA insert of clone qs14\_3 deposited under accession number ATCC 98850;

(g) the nucleotide sequence of a mature protein coding sequence of clone qs14\_3 deposited under accession number ATCC 98850;

(h) a nucleotide sequence encoding a mature protein encoded by the cDNA insert of clone qs14\_3 deposited under accession number ATCC 98850;

15 (i) a nucleotide sequence encoding a protein comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:52;

(j) a nucleotide sequence encoding a protein comprising a fragment of the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:52, the fragment comprising eight contiguous amino acids of SEQ ID NO:52;

20 (k) the nucleotide sequence of a polynucleotide that hybridizes under conditions at least as stringent as 4X SSC at 65 degrees C, or 4X SSC at 42 degrees C with 50% formamide, to any one of the polynucleotides specified by (a)-(h); and

(l) the nucleotide sequence of a polynucleotide that hybridizes under conditions at least as stringent as 4X SSC at 50 degrees C, or 6X SSC at 40 degrees C with 50% formamide, to any one of the polynucleotides specified by (a)-(h), and that has a length that is at least 25% of the length of SEQ ID NO:51.

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13. A protein comprising an amino acid sequence selected from the group consisting of:

30 (a) the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:52;

(b) the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:52 from amino acid 536 to amino acid 1135;

(c) a fragment of the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:52, the fragment comprising eight contiguous amino acids of SEQ ID NO:52; and

(d) the amino acid sequence encoded by the cDNA insert of clone  
qs14\_3 deposited under accession number ATCC 98850;  
the protein being substantially free from other mammalian proteins.